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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR NICOLAE'S CALL ON DEPUTY ASSISTANT
SECRETARY LUERS, DECEMBER 21, 1977

1. AMBASSADOR NICOLAE CALLED ON DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY
LUERS ON DECEMBER 21 AND RAISED THE STEVENSON VISIT,
DATES FOR CEAUSESCU'S VISIT TO THE US, A VISIT TO
ROMANIA BY THE SECRETARY AND/OR THE VICE PRESIDENT,
RENEWAL OF THE TRADE AGREEMENT, AND THE PARTY CONFERENCE
WHICH HE HAD JUST ATTENDED.

2. CODEL STEVENSON (JANUARY 9-12). NICOLAE AND LUERS
AGREED THAT MEETINGS SHOULD BE ARRANGED WITH PATAN,
MACOVESCU, STEFAN ANDREI, GLIGA AND ASSEMBLY PRESIDENT
GIOSAN (OFFICIAL HOST), AND THAT AN APPOINTMENT WITH
CEAUSESCU WOULD BE SOUGHT. NICOLAE SUGGESTED A ONE-DAY
VISIT TO BRASOV AND A VISIT TO A FACTORY; LUERS AGREED
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A TRIP OUTSIDE BUCHAREST SHOULD BE SCHEDULED BUT SAID
STEVENSON DID NOT WISH TO VISIT FACTORIES.

3. CEAUSESCU VISIT. NICOLAE AGAIN PRESSED FOR A RESPONSE
ON DATES, BUT LUERS SAID THAT HE WAS UNABLE EITHER TO
PROVIDE DATES OR TO SAY WHEN A RESPONSE WOULD BE MADE TO

GOR. AFTER NICOLAE REFERRED TO DIFFICULTY THAT CEAUSESCU IS FACING IN SETTING UP OTHER FOREIGN TRAVEL IN ABSENCE OF US DATES, AND TO HIS OWN DIFFICULT POSITION IN THIS MATTER, LUERS ASSURED NICOLAE THAT (A) DELAY HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH US-ROMANIAN RELATIONS, ONLY WITH PROBLEMS OF PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE AND (B) THAT HE WOULD TRY TO FIND OUT WHEN A RESPONSE MIGHT BE EXPECTED.

4. VISIT BY SECRETARY OR VICE PRESIDENT. NICOLAE INDICATED THAT HE PLANNED TO CALL AT THE WHITE HOUSE AFTER JANUARY 1 TO FOLLOW UP ON MACOVESCU'S NOVEMBER 23 INFORMAL INVITATION TO VICE PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY WITH PROPOSAL THAT EITHER VICE PRESIDENT OR SECRETARY

VISIT ROMANIA BEFORE CEAUSESCU'S VISIT TO U.S.

5. TRADE AGREEMENT. NICOLAE ASKED WHAT WE WERE PLANNING WITH REGARD TO RENEWAL OF TRADE AGREEMENT, AND LUERS EXPLAINED THAT WE HAD BEEN DISCUSSING WITH CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES THE POSSIBILITY OF HAVING HEARINGS ON RENEWAL COMBINED WITH THE ANNUAL REVIEW HEARING ON THE SECTION 402 WAIVER. FOLLOWING SUCH HEARINGS, WE WOULD HOPE TO BE ABLE TO CONFIRM TO THE GOR THAT WE HAVE NO INTENTION OF INVOKING THE TERMINATION PROVISION OF THE TRADE AGREEMENT. NICOLAE ASKED TO MEET WITH DEPARTMENT AGAIN IN JANUARY TO DISCUSS THIS QUESTION.
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6. PARTY CONFERENCE. NICOLAE OUTLINED SOME OF THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE ROMANIAN PARTY CONFERENCE WHICH HE HAD ATTENDED, NOTING THAT THE PARTY HAD DECIDED TO "ELIMINATE ALL JAILS".

7. NICOLAE ALSO MET WITH COMMERCE DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY ALAN REICH ON DECEMBER 21. MAJOR TOPICS OF CONVERSATION WERE: TRADE AGREEMENT PROCEDURES, PROSPECTS FOR MULTI-YEAR MFN, GOR CONCERN OVER EXPORT LICENSE APPLICATIONS FOR ROM-CDC, ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL INITIATIVES FOR PROPOSED CEAUSESCU VISIT, AND FOLLOW-UP TO ECONOMIC COMMISSION SESSION. REICH AND NICOLAE TO MEET AGAIN IN EARLY JANUARY TO DISCUSS THESE AND OTHER ISSUES IN MORE DETAIL. VANCE

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